

ITALIAN FATALLY SHOT FROM AMBUSH

AWFUL WRECK ON EASTERN FLYER

WIFE WAS CAUSE OF A MIDNIGHT SHOOTING.



LOUIS OLIO WHO IS ACCUSED OF SHOOTING LOUIS GRATIANO FROM AMBUSH.

Louis Gratiano Fatally Wounded and Louis Olio is in the City Prison.

As the result of the feud between Louis Olio and Louis Gratiano, two Italian laborers, both of whom reside at 2160 Glen avenue, Gratiano lies wounded with two bullets in his body in Pahlola Hospital, the shots having been fired from ambush by Olio, who is now in the City Jail.

The shooting was occasioned by ill-feeling aroused by Olio's devotion to Gratiano's wife.

MAY PROVE FATAL.

The result of Gratiano's injuries cannot now be foretold. Fears are entertained that the shooting will have a fatal termination, because the injured man is suffering from a severe attack of pneumonia which, it is

thought, will aggravate the injuries occasioned by the bullets.

Olio, the assassin, did not come out of the encounter without marks of severe handling. A furrow extends in the middle of the forehead from the brow almost to the top as if made by a knife, while the left eye is almost entirely closed and the lid is suffused with blood.

SCENE OF ASSASSINATION.

The assassination took place in a lonely spot at the corner of Forty-first street and Broadway, about 11 o'clock last night. Three shots were fired. The assassin, Olio, hid behind a large eucalyptus tree at the intersection.

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RUSSIA WILL BACK DOWN.

Czar Will Concede Demands Made By the Japanese.

Great Britain Had Much to Do With the Compromise.

BERLIN, December 24.—An intimation has reached the Japanese Legation here that Russia will concede Japan's requests.

Inquiries made by the Associated Press as to particulars of this intimation, whether it came from Tokio or St. Petersburg, brought out nothing more than that a peaceful solution is now highly probable.

The British Government, it is understood from another source, has represented to the Czar that Great Britain deems Japan's demands just and earnestly expects that Russia will grant them.

This representation is supported by the utterances of the British ambassadors here and in Paris and in Vienna, who have informed the respective governments to which they are accredited that Japan, in the opinion of the British Government, will fight if Russia holds to the position taken in her recent note.

The Russian Ambassador here has for several days been inquiring freely what the opinions of the diplomatic corps are. Yuan Shi Kai, the commander-in-chief of the Chinese army and navy, has taken steps for the rapid reorganization of the Chinese army. According to the Cologne Gazette's advice from St. Petersburg, Yuan Shi Kai proposes immediately to create military schools, with special training courses for non-commissioned officers and a cadet corps, a general staff and a military academy to be opened in 1905. The introduction of universal military service is also planned, as well as an increase of the artillery.

Yuan Shi Kai is reported to have advised the war mandarins to wait three years until the reorganization of the army is complete before declaring war on Russia.

BEAT WIFE EVERY DAY IN WEEK.

An Alameda Man Will Spend Long Term in Prison.

After Whipping Wife He Would No Provide for Her.

ALAMEDA, December 24.—George T. Souza, a Portuguese resident of Bay Farm Island, was tried this morning before Judge Cone on two charges, one of battery preferred by his wife and the other of failure to provide for his wife and three children, the oldest of which is 4 years.

He was found guilty of both charges and was sentenced this afternoon to 180 days in the County Jail on the battery charge and ninety days on the charge of failure to provide.

In court Souza admitted that he had not provided for his family for a long time and it was developed that he began beating his wife three months after they were married five years ago and he has kept it up ever since every day.

The wife was 16 years of age when she married Souza.

BRYAN ARRIVES IN BERLIN.

HE MAY BE ACCORDED AN AUDIENCE WITH THE EMPEROR.

BERLIN, December 24.—William J. Bryan arrived here today from St. Petersburg.

He was met by Dr. Otto Ahrendt, a member of the Reichstag and one of the principal advocates of bi-metalism in Germany.

Mr. Bryan goes to Copenhagen tonight and returns here Saturday.

He will be entertained here privately at luncheon by Ambassador Tower.

The American Chamber of Commerce will give Mr. Bryan a reception Saturday evening.

His presence in Berlin has formally been brought to the attention of Emperor William by Baron von Richtofen, the secretary for foreign affairs and possibly an audience will be the result.

STILL AFTER BRYAN.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 24.—Application for the removal of William J. Bryan as executor of the will of Philo S. Bennett was made by Mrs. Bennett and other residuary legatees in the Probate Court today on the ground that he has neglected and violated his duties and because his interests, personally and as trustee, are inimical to those of the legatees under the will.

WILL REVISE DREYFUS CASE

PARIS, December 24.—The Dreyfus commission today unanimously recommended a revision of the case by the criminal branch of the Court of Cassation. The court will assemble next month to hear the case.

The commission's report sets forth the reasons which caused it to make the recommendation. These include evidence

CARRIERS' NIGHT AT THE DEWEY.

Carriers will please report at THE TRIBUNE office at 130 o'clock Thursday evening, December 24, to attend a Special Performance. "For Mother's Sake," at the Dewey Theatre as the guests of THE OAKLAND TRIBUNE.

TROOPS RUSHED TO CHINA.

Russian Soldiers Take Up Quarters in Chinese Temples.

European Fleet Is Ordered Rushed to Port Arthur.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 24.—Advices were brought by the steamer Olympia of increasing reinforcements arriving in Manchuria from Russia.

Correspondents at Moukden tell of the transport of troops to the southern borders toward the Korean frontier at the rate of twenty to twenty-eight railway carriages twice a day.

The total number transported toward the beginning of December was 17,000, all of whom had newly arrived from Europe.

Reinforcements which had arrived at Lio Yang had arbitrarily taken up winter quarters in Chinese temples and mercantile houses, causing great indignation and considerable suffering among the Chinese.

Orders have also been sent to Port Arthur consisting of the battleship Ostrova, cruisers Aurora, Dmitri, Doukol and Alwas, several destroyers and ten torpedo boats.

RUSSIANS ANGRY AT THE BRITISH.

ST. PETERSBURG, December 24.—The Russian newspapers are displaying the liveliest irritation at the British press whose anti-Russian attitude in the present Russo-Japanese dispute has aroused even greater public animosity against Great Britain than existed against Japan. The Japanese minister, M. Kurino, has been indisposed, as the result of a chill, for some days and has had no interview with Foreign Minister Lamadoff. Neither of the members of the Japanese legation nor the other Japanese residents here are showing any signs of impending departure.

WINDOWS BROKEN BY THE STRIKERS.

PARIS, December 24.—Owing to the continuance of the bakers' strike, mounted patrols are circulating today throughout the center of the city and detachments of infantry are patrolling all the suburbs. The bakers held a meeting but did not attempt a demonstration, owing to the strict police measures. There were, however, many petty disturbances, such as smashing windows of bakeries and twenty-nine arrests were made.

HE MUST HANG FOR HIS CRIME.

HELENA, Mont., December 24.—L. H. Mott, who was convicted at Missoula for murder in the first degree for killing his wife, has been refused a new trial by the Supreme Court. He will be sentenced to death again.

MURDERER DIES FROM WOUNDS.

KANSAS CITY, December 24.—Samuel W. Lee, the grocer, formerly from near Louisville, Kan., who yesterday shot and killed his brother's wife, Mrs. Florence V. Lee, in a fit of jealousy, and then shot himself and cut his throat died today from his wounds.

WEATHER FORECAST.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 24.—San Francisco and vicinity: This afternoon and tonight fair; Friday cloudy fresh easterly wind.

SIXTY PEOPLE ARE KILLED OUTRIGHT.

Thieves Rob the Bodies of the Dead—Many Killed By Scalding Steam.

CONNELLSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 24.—When daylight broke there were known to be 60 dead as the result of last night's wreck of the Duquesne Limited on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, near Dawson. These bodies filled two temporary morgues in this city. It is believed nearly a score more will be added to the death list when the day is over.

Of the bodies recovered, forty-nine have been identified and eleven are designated as "unknown." Most of the latter appear to be foreigners, principally Italians.

In the hospitals three of the wounded are expected to die at any moment and five others are in a critical condition.

LIST OF THE DEAD.

WILLIAM THORNTON, engineer, Hazelwood, Pa.
S. G. HEATER, assistant engineer, in charge of construction, Glenwood, Pa.
JESSE H. HINES, news agent, Tabor, N. C.
WILLIAM EDWARDS, Pittsburg.
RICHARD DUCKETT, Baltimore.
EDISON GOLDSMITH, Connelville, Pa.
REV. FATHER FIENELLO, Connelville, Pa.
CHARLES LANGFORD, Confluence, Pa.
W. E. EDGERLEY, Butler, Pa.
LOUIS HELGOTH, conductor of the Limited, Hazelwood, Pa.
JOHN K. POWERS, South Cumberland, Pa.
CHARLES A. COOK, no address.
JOHN SEAMON, New York.
D. MURRAY, Pittsburg.
A. G. PROTSMAN, no address.
CHARLES W. GREY, Trenton, N. J.
CHARLES WALTER STEWART, Stewart Station, Pa.
T. J. FARNAM, Philadelphia, general yard master of the Firestone Iron Works, Glenwood, W. Va.

M. MYEROWITZ, Johnstown, Pa.
WILLIAM SHEEDY, Paterson Creek, W. Va.
CARMINE M. MICHLICHEN, residence unknown.
HAROLD D. MORRISON, Hazelwood, Pa.
VICTOR VIOL, Rochester, Pa.
JOHN H. WILLS, Pittsburg.
J. W. SHUPE, Mount Pleasant, Pa.
G. W. WINKLER, Westmont, Pa.
GEORGE F. REIM, Baltimore.
THOMAS TIPPLER, Philadelphia.
J. A. MARTY, Western Union lineman, Connelville, Pa.
W. A. KEMP, Mount Pleasant, Pa.
JAMES BARNARD, Pittsburg.
H. F. ROUSH, Pittsburg.
B. F. MULKER, Berkeley Springs, W. Va.
M. K. SMITH, Connelville, Pa.
L. C. KELAM, Christiansburg, Sweden.
W. A. LAIRD, Martinsburg.
J. W. KASNER, Cumberland, Md.
JOHN ADDISON, New York.
WILLIAM BRODIE, Red Bank, N. J.
ROBERT DAVIDSON, Philadelphia.
SYLVESTER ZINKARD, Chase, W. Va.
CHARLES E. KEEFER, Somerset, Pa.
HARRY DEVLIN, Lancaster, Md.
W. A. GOOD, McKeesport, Pa.
C. W. BISOR, Berkeley Springs, W. Va.
JAMES FOX, address unknown.
The other dead are mostly foreigners and negroes who were riding in the smoking car.

THE KNOWN INJURED.

W. H. HANCOCK, Pittsburg, slight.
JOHN W. BROMLEY, North Braddock, slight.
ANNIE REESE, Glenwood, slight.
THOMAS J. DOM, Hazelwood, slight.
J. A. ALTFURTER, Beaton, W. Va., serious.
HENRY DAVID, Rockwood, Pa., will die.
W. H. STODDARD, Connelville, Pa.
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MOTLEY H. FLINT WILL BE POSTMASTER.



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LOS ANGELES, December 24.—Motley H. Flint, who is slated for appointment as Postmaster of Los Angeles, is a citizen of high standing. He has had experience in the postal service. He has been postal inspector and is now assistant superintendent of the salary and allowance division for the Pacific Coast.

His fitness is so universal recognized that there is not the slightest opposition to his appointment. Senator Perkins and Congressman McCluskey have presented his name to the President, together with a strong petition of business men and there is no doubt of his name being sent to the Senate. Postmaster Groff has completed his term and is ready to retire in favor of his subordinate.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, December 24.—Senator Bard today recommended Motley H. Flint to be Postmaster at Los Angeles and Representative McCluskey endorsed the recommendation. Flint is Postoffice Inspector at Los Angeles and is highly respected by Los Angeles people. There is no opposition whatever to Flint's appointment. Postmaster Groff having served his full term and being ready to retire.

Thousands of Women Have Kidney Trouble and Never Suspect It

Almost every one, from personal experience, knows that the effects of any kind of severe physical strain are felt, first of all, in the small of the back—in other words, in those Vital Organs, the Kidneys. This is as true in the case of the very powerful as it is with one of less strength, and it is especially true whenever the kidneys are weak or out of order.

The Great Kidney Remedy Swamp-Root, strengthens the kidneys and through them helps all the other organs.

WOMEN suffer untold misery because the nature of their disease is not always correctly understood. In many cases when doctoring, they are led to believe that womb trouble or female weakness of some sort is responsible for their ill, when in fact disordered kidneys are the chief cause of their distressing troubles. Perhaps you suffer almost continually with pain in the back, bearing-down feelings, headache and utter exhaustion.

Didn't Know I Had Kidney Trouble

I had tried so many remedies without their having benefited me that I was



about discouraged, but in a few days after taking the wonderful Swamp-Root I began to feel better. I was out of health and run down generally, had no appetite, was dizzy and suffered with headache most of the time. I did not know that my kidneys were the cause of my trouble, but somehow I felt they might be, and I began taking Swamp-Root as above stated. There is such a pleasant taste to Swamp-Root and it goes right to the spot and drives disease out of the system. It has cured me, making me stronger and better in every way, and I heartily recommend it to all sufferers. Gratefully yours, MRS. A. L. WALKER, 46 West Linden St., Atlanta, Ga.

Today I am in Splendid Health

About 18 months ago I had a very severe attack of grip. I was extremely sick for three weeks, and when I finally was able to leave my bed I was left with



excruciating pains in my back, which convinced me that I had a severe kidney trouble. My physical condition was such that I had no strength and was all run down. I procured a bottle, and inside of three days commenced to get relief. I followed up on that bottle with another, and at the completion of this one I was completely cured. My strength returned, and today I am as well as ever.

My business is that of canvasser. I am on my feet a great deal of the time, and have to do much energy in getting around. My cure is therefore all the more remarkable, and is exceedingly gratifying to me. Swamp-Root is pleasant to take, and it is no wonder.

MRS. H. N. WHEELER, 28 Prospect St., Lynn, Mass.

NOT only does Swamp-Root bring new life and activity to the kidneys, the cause of the trouble, but by strengthening the kidneys it acts as a general tonic and food for the entire constitution.

Swamp-Root a Blessing to Women

My kidneys and bladder gave me great trouble for over two months and I suf-



fered untold misery. I became weak, exhausted and very much run down. I had great difficulty in retaining my urine, and was obliged to pass water very often night and day. After I had used a sample bottle of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, I sent me on my request. I experienced relief and I immediately bought of my druggist two large bottles and continued taking it regularly. I am pleased to say that Swamp-Root cured me entirely. I can now stand on my feet all day without pain and symptoms whatever. Swamp-Root has proved a blessing to me. Gratefully yours, MRS. E. AUSTIN, 19 Nassau St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

TO PROVE WHAT SWAMP-ROOT, THE GREAT KIDNEY, LIVER AND BLADDER REMEDY, WILL DO FOR YOU, EVERY READER OF THE OAKLAND DAILY TRIBUNE MAY HAVE A SAMPLE BOTTLE SENT FREE BY MAIL.

EDITORIAL NOTICE—No matter how many doctors you have tried—no matter how much you may have spent on other medicines, you really owe it to yourself, and to your family, to at least give Swamp-Root a trial. Its strongest friends today are those who had almost given up hope of ever becoming well again. You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful discovery, Swamp-Root, sent absolutely free by mail, also a book telling all about it, and containing many of the thousands upon thousands of testimonials received from men and women who owe their good health, in fact their very lives, to its wonderful curative properties. In writing to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure to say that you read this get-well offer in the OAKLAND DAILY TRIBUNE. If you are already convinced that Swamp-Root is what you need, you can purchase the regular fifty-cent and one dollar size bottle at the drug stores everywhere.

CARMEN PLAN FOR A BALL.

THEY WILL INVESTIGATE THE DISCHARGE OF THEIR COMRADES.

At the semi-monthly meeting of the Carmen's Social and Entertainment Society held last night it was decided not to hold a social session next Wednesday evening, as is usually the case on the fifth Wednesday of the month. Those present thought that during the holiday season, the attendance at such a gathering would be too small to recompense the committee for arranging any entertainment.

The society will devote its efforts in the social line for the next few weeks towards preparing for the ball to be held in Maple Hall, Franklin and Fourteenth streets, on Thursday evening, February 11th. The hall will be elaborately decorated for the occasion and a large union orchestra will furnish the music. The general arrangements committee consists of E. D. Booth, chairman; O. H. H. Smith, secretary; George Crane and R. A. Sullivan.

There was some discussion over the report circulated yesterday that eleven carmen of the Telegraph avenue line had been discharged, the motionmen for knocking down fares by exchanging transfers. According to the information given last night, only four carmen had been discharged.

The Carmen's Union, as it always

does in such cases, will investigate the matter and see if the charges preferred against the discharged men are true. If the union finds the men were acting wrongly, it will do nothing. If they were discharged without cause, it will ask the company to reinstate them. This is done because, if a railroad man loses his position, he can never get another one again anywhere in the country without a recommendation.

When the company discharges an employee, if it believed he is no good, it will either refuse to give him a recommendation or give him one so flimsy that the one to whom it is presented by the carmen will refuse to hire him.

The Carmen's Union is planning to in the future, work in connection with the company towards bettering the service by having the men attend to their duties. For some time the last discharged carmen have been reprimanded at the meetings of the union for neglect of duty.

GAVE A SMOKER.

After the business of the evening was transacted last night by the Plumber's Union and Sheet Metal Workers' Union the latter entertained the former at a smoker in the large hall at Kohler & Chase Hall. An informal program, consisting of singing, piano, and contests, piano and refreshments were served. The session proved a most enjoyable one.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

There was a short session of the executive committee of the Federated Trades Council to arrange for the meeting of that body this evening.

TO INSTRUCT DELEGATES.

On Wednesday evening, December 30, the Federated Trades Council will meet the delegates to the State convention at Hotel Alameda.

MEETINGS TONIGHT.

The Federated Trades Council will meet tonight in Coons and Walters hall, Broadway and Eighth streets. Housewives, painters, carpenters, mechanics, sewer workers and m-

terial teamsters at Kohler & Chase Hall, Broadway and Eleventh streets; beer bottlers at Becker's Hall, Washington street.

HOUSEMOVERS.

The housemovers will have a celebration tonight at Kohler & Chase Hall in honor of Christmas eve.

TEAMSTERS.

The district council of teamsters met last night at 888 West Broadway. The lease of the hall expires on January 1, and it is believed that after the next meeting the council will be held in some other place more centrally located.

The teamsters' union, Local No. 79, has already moved from Webster street to California Hall on Clay street.

There was some discussion concerning the old trouble between the haulage men and haulers on one hand, the state and the drivers on the other. The haulage men had complained that the haulers were not paying them for their services, and the haulers were not paying them for their services. The haulage men were not paying them for their services, and the haulers were not paying them for their services.

ALBION LODGE, No. 206.

This well-known lodge has never been in a more prosperous financial condition than at present. Its membership is steadily increasing, and owing to the general sound condition of the health of its members, its bank account continues to grow.

Under the able direction of President Thomas Brock, supported by a corps of efficient officers who have a goodly list of members, there has been a renewed activity in the social side of the fraternity.

Plans are being laid for a Christmas party which will be a most successful one. The lodge has a large hall, and has long been noted for the liveliness of its entertainments.

GOOD TEMPLARS.

Veteran Lodge, No. 7, I. O. G. T., will have initiation next Monday evening and other important business.

The committee on entertainment has decided to have a first-class literary and musical entertainment in January.

LAUNDRY WORKERS.

A large attendance of the members of this union were present at its session Monday evening. Nine workers in the craft were initiated and several applications filed. Nominations for officers followed and aspirants for the honors were legion.

The election will be held at the first convention of the union, Monday, December 25. The wisdom of the local was fully demonstrated in the nomination of its efficient business agent, H. Gray to succeed himself without opposition. Miss Rose Connors and Miss Connolly were added to the Masquerade Ball Committee. That the affair will be a complete success financially as well as socially is already assured. Several coin prizes will be distributed.

Dancing will continue all night.

ROBBERS REPULSED.

WILMINGTON, Del., December 24.—Two men have been repelled in an attack made upon the night operator in the Pennsylvania tower near Linwood. They were chased by a band of Italian laborers but escaped after several shots had been exchanged. Later two suspects were taken by the police of Chester, Pa.

RECOGNIZES PANAMA.

WASHINGTON, December 24.—Minister Quezada has received an telegram informing him that the Cuban Government has formally recognized the Republic of Panama.

POPULAR PROGRAMME AT THE NOVELTY THEATER



EMPIRE TRIO NOW PLAYING AT THE NOVELTY THEATER.

The Novelty Theater is playing to large crowds this week. The program is an excellent one and the patrons of this popular playhouse are getting more for their money than at any other place of amusement in Oakland.

SECRETS COME FROM BEHIND THE WICKET.

Lodge Members Plan Many Events After the Holidays—Many Meetings Held.

A court of Juvenile Foresters was instituted in Glen's hall, 511 Fourteenth street last night. High court officers were in attendance during the afternoon to allow those boys to make application who had not previously done so. The brass band of Cent Star of the West, No. 1, of this church, containing 80 pieces, furnished the music.

FOREST CIRCLE.

Pride of the Forest Circle, No. 125, C. O. F., held its meeting last Tuesday evening, December 22 with a good attendance. At its next meeting an institution of officers will be made and all members are requested to be present. The meeting of the auditors will be at the residence of Mrs. C. L. Hicks, 706 Webster street before the next meeting again.

LADY MACCABEES.

At the review last Friday evening, the matter of creating a "fun and fund" was discussed at some length and the by-laws committee were instructed to draft an amendment to our by-laws covering this fund, to be presented to the H.P. at the next regular review.

There will be no meeting tomorrow evening nor New Year's evening, but a special meeting will be held on December 30 at which time all applicants under the recent dispensation will be initiated. Arguments and Broeklyne Elites have been invited to join us in these ceremonies and the committee on entertainment promises a jolly evening.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD.

Next Monday evening Oakland Camp No. 41 will repeat their successful winter tournament given last week. Elegant prizes will be given and may be seen in show windows of M. J. Keller.

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SONS OF VETERANS.

Col. E. D. Baker Camp, No. 1, held its regular meeting Tuesday evening, December 15. After important business was transacted the members adjourned to attend the silver anniversary of Lyon Post, G. A. R. in the large hall.

Camp commander-elect, A. S. Ormsby, on behalf of the camp, presented to the Post, G. A. R. a large hall.

Pierce will install the officers of the camp. The following is a complete list of officers elected:

Camp commander, A. S. Ormsby; senior vice-commander, H. F. Seagraves; junior vice-commander, W. H. Barnes; chaplain, W. E. Baker; first sergeant, A. H. Gladding; quarter master, Sergeant J. F. Fitzgerald; camp council, E. V. Adams, W. H. Callins (re-elected); and H. L. Callins (re-elected); representatives to division encampment, John Hollowood, J. F. Fitzgerald; alternates, H. T. Seagraves and B. P. Littlefield.

BEAUPRE GOING HOME.

NEW YORK, December 24.—Cable reports from the Interior of Colombia announce that United States Minister Beaupre, who is on his way to the coast from Bogota, bound for home on a vacation, has left Honda on the Magdalena steamer with a company of artillery as escort. The Colombian Government sent the soldiers with him at his request. Hostile demonstrations are feared at river ports along the line.

Mr. Beaupre is due at Cartagena Sunday.

CHRISTMAS PARTY.

A Christmas party was given at the First Methodist Episcopal Church at Fourteenth and Clay streets, last night for the children of the Sunday School. A very pleasant evening was spent in playing games, singing, etc., and at the close of the festivities, Santa Claus Sunday.

To those who agree with us
To those who don't--
To our friends and patrons
To those who are not--
To our competitors
To those who would be--
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ONE DESERTER.

"Don't let the kids know how papa quit."

That was the message left to his wife in Colorado by E. H. Prince, a carpenter who committed suicide in Los Angeles. This man had been a loving father and husband; he had regularly sent money home to his family, but ill health came and with it a loss of employment. So papa quit.

The story is a suggestive one. This man showed a cheerful front to his daily companions, and within a few hours of taking his own life he chatted with his fellow-boarders in apparently jovial spirits. They did not suspect that despair was gnawing at his vitals. How many are around us today who are fronting those they meet with a smile on the face and misery in the heart?

It will be the verdict of men generally that this man did a cowardly thing in taking his life to shirk a responsibility, and this verdict will have justifiable grounds; but the dead should not be judged too harshly. This man was poor. He had worked faithfully to support his wife and children. He was past fifty, separated from his family, out of work, in ill health, and practically penniless. The glad Christmas holidays were here and he had nothing with which to make his own lot cheerful or to contribute to the happiness and support of his loved ones in Colorado.

So he deserted. God forgive him, he was wrong! But when one is old and poor and out of employment, and with bad health making the evening of life still more sombre, it is not so easy to brace up and be a man. Poverty and sickness are terrible foes to encounter in old age. They take the heart out of a man, deplete him of the power to discern the path of duty and the fortitude to pursue it. This poor fellow might have done worse than to drop out of the ranks and let "undesling" be recorded after his name in the roll call for life's battle. He might have taken to drink or the wretched career of a tramp, or he might have become a burden on the public and a clog and disgrace to his family.

It is better that the kids should know how papa quit than for them to know that he staid only as a carter-follower and an eater of husks with swine. In this pitiful suicide we see the contending emotions of moral cowardice and moral courage. The poor carpenter had not the moral courage to face some things but he was too brave to face some other things. There are many such. At least one may respect the pagan stoicism that cannot brook the loss of independence and self respect. It is not in accord with the tenets of Christianity, but it is nevertheless a grave question in many minds whether it is not best to quit a life that can only be lived miserably.

What is the moral to this incident? None in particular. Hundreds of men would have promptly come to that man's assistance had they known his condition. But how could they know? Had he been capable of telling his story would have been received with cold incredulity. Had he been capable of telling it, he would have been incapable of committing suicide. Because he could not bring himself to go to the infirmary he deserted from the ranks. He would not go on the disabled list. Men more fortunate than himself in life's struggle will say he was a poor, weak devil. Perhaps so. God knows.

The whiskey is getting so bad in this Pass that they are talking of putting in a water supply.

The ten thousand dollar purse hung up by Cardinal Herrera for anybody who will lick Uncle Sam on his own dunghill will not be eagerly sought for. It is only big enough to attract second-rate prize fighters in this country. As a war trophy it is a gold brick.

Schwab's assertions that the shipyard deal was on the square, bears a curious similarity to Perry Heath's protestations of innocence of complicity in the postal frauds. Schwab insists that there was nothing crooked in the formation of the shipyard stock works. Heath scents the idea that there was any grafting in the Postal Department. On this hypothesis everybody is innocent.

The Colombians continue to filibuster threats and to make absurd preparations for war. An attempt to reconquer Panama will be a farce, but a tragic farce. Unfortunately an ignorant, vainglorious people, isolated as the Colombians are, cannot be made to understand the situation or to realize the facts. They cannot appreciate the power of the United States nor recognize their own impotency. With a currency worth only two cents on the dollar and no navy, and an army that is a mere rabble, Colombia can do nothing save butt her head against a wall in attempting to invade the Isthmus. But she seems determined to make the effort. The exhibition will be comic, the consequences tragic.

POLITICS IN MEXICO.

Porfirio Diaz has had Senator Limanour, the present minister of finance, in training to succeed him as President of Mexico. Opposition to this scheme became so strongly developed that Diaz again consented to be a candidate for the Presidency.

It appears, however, that Diaz has not relinquished his plan of making Limanour his successor, for the administration adherents in the Mexican Congress are pushing a bill creating the office of Vice President. If this office is created Limanour will be selected to fill it on the ticket with Diaz.

In this bill the opponents of Limanour see another move in the part of the Mexican dictator to perpetuate his policy after his death or retirement. Diaz, who is now verging on seventy-five, is anxious to retire from public life, but he is determined that the policy he inaugurated shall continue, and hence is adopting extraordinary measures to get the reins of power into the hands of Limanour, who is the son of a Frenchman, and is not regarded with favor by many of the political and military chiefs. The bill in question, if passed, will enable Diaz to retire after election and leave the direction of affairs in the hands of Limanour; and it is upon this ground that the measure is being vigorously opposed. It will probably carry in spite of opposition though, for Diaz is potent in Mexico. The King of England is a mere figurehead compared to him so far as actual power is concerned, for Diaz rules the country almost absolutely.

While Diaz has ruled with a strong hand, sternly repressing opposition and even overruling the constitution, in furthering his plans, his policy has been enlightened, liberal and progressive. He has exerted himself wisely and patriotically to develop his country and promote the permanent prosperity of its inhabitants. He has built harbors, railroads, highways, schools and public buildings. He has reformed the finances and the judicial administration. He has created an effective military organization. Popular education has been enormously advanced. Agriculture, mining and manufacturing have been greatly stimulated. The national credit has been restored and commerce expanded. The cities have been cleaned, drained and sewered. Efficiency and honesty have been promoted in all the departments of civil administration.

At this has been done with small regard for technical forms or constitutional limitations. With Diaz the end has always justified the means. When he took the Presidential chair twenty-seven years ago he pushed another from it by force. He amended the constitution to continue this base of power. In short, he has been and is a benevolent despot. Limanour is an able and astute man, but he has to hold on the national sympathies of the Mexicans because he is a Frenchman and because, further, he has simply been a functionary of the Diaz government. The Mexicans love Diaz, but a great many of them do not love his agent and proposed political leader. Yet to the unbiased observer, it seems as if Mexico could do no better than to let Limanour take up where Diaz leaves off and allow him to continue a policy that has contributed more than anything else to the unexampled prosperity the country is enjoying.

WAR CLOUDS LOWERING.

The close of the year finds the political situation in the Orient ominous of war. We have never had so much talk of peace as during 1902, and there have never been greater preparations for fighting. It is not improbable that a mighty struggle will open in the East with the beginning of 1904, a struggle in which all the civilized nations, including our own, will become involved.

What Russia and Japan are negotiating they are making elaborate preparations for war. Russia continues to pour troops and supplies into Manchuria. She must have not far from twenty fighting men in North China and along the Amur river. She is strengthening her fortified posts and is fortifying her lines of communication.

Every navy yard and arsenal in Japan is a scene of the utmost activity. A vast army is being placed on a footing for immediate field operations and the navy is being prepared for active service. Preparations have been made for the transport of large bodies of troops by water. Japanese officers absent on leave are being recalled to their commands. Men en-

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MUNROE HANLON AND YOUNG CORBETT
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Only a few more days remain before Eddie Hansen and Young Corbett will meet in the arena at Mechanics' Pavilion in San Francisco to battle twenty rounds for the world championship of the world. Both boys are sure winners, following who swear that the favorite will win. It will be a fight between two of the best of the best.

So far there has been almost no betting on the contest, but it is quite likely that wagers will be made in the future and at the present time it looks very money. Young Corbett is very close to evening up his record and it is probable that he will stop on the scales.

called the public with this fact but had something to do with retaining the betting. "I don't know," Barrett said, "but I'm afraid to weigh in." Barrett was surrounded and only his valet, Harry Smith, was able to get away. How much weight he was taking off and how long he was in hiding, this meeting every one was guessing. "I think it's today," and then they said again, "weight is today." He came out at a clock next to the clock tower. He admitted yesterday that he would be in the house at ten o'clock this afternoon.

Edgar Hampton is waiting in Alameda, where there are no secret weighing parties or welcome to know the nature. The public is suffering from a knowledge of the California works and they know that the

boxing from his wife. He has eschewed his training, as his trainer, Harry Foley, thought it best for him not to take any chances on hurting himself.

Billie, who now consists of bag-punching, long tramps on the road and "bumming" work. This will be kept up until the day before the fight. He looks in the pink of condition.

BOATING CLUB

BOATING CLUB MAKES NOMINATIONS.

Officers for the Alameda Boat Club have been nominated for the ensuing year. The election is to be held on Tuesday night, January 12. Those placed in nomination are: President, William C. Hain; Vice President, Fred Cone; Secretary, Frank Browning; Treasurer, C. Bell; Captain, J. T. Thornburg; Lieutenant, Victor E. Layton; Sergeant-at-Arms, Ray Pratt; mascot, the

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Rockaway appears to have been tried too much and is not at his best form. The first race a victory for Sterling Towers, who was a favorite contrary to expectation. Sir Preston was a second and Ellen King was third.

Columbia Club, Star Club, Harlan & Co., F. R. Eckert, Emeryville Club, New York Club, Melbourne Club, Lenox Club, Longfellow Club, Stephens Club and Oakland Club, the largest betting ring in operation in California since the season of 1896 and 1897.

Those goers who attended the Seattle meeting did not see Constellation's Pride the overlook. This filly is by name, a stallion that Corrikan brought to California, and her dam is the well known old Bay District filly, Misty Morn, a star at the

Joe Yaeger, the well known plunger bookmaker, is to arrive here today. He reports to have telegraphed Redfern to W. B. Sink left on the Ingleside track last night for Los Angeles with a dog and F. E. Shaw, whom he expects to take to the Mount Lowe handicap today. Burns went south with the Sink candidate. Both will return to San Francisco after the race.

On Christmas the two trains to Ingleside 1 and the second at 1:15. The outward-bound trains do not stop.

The third race brought out a large field of thirteen starters, nearly all of them selling players or class. They were out to a fairly good start and the Dicty's Pride could not get away. Very post a winning on and passing under the wire a full length in front of the second place horse. The betting at 9 to 1 and those who saw the horse run at Seattle did not

the horse to stay at that price, but backed her down to 4 to 1. In the summer, the favorite, Alched eighth, Eldebrand rode the winner and put up a splendid ride. He had three mounts during the afternoon, winning first two and finishing second on the third.

at fact. Bill Massie, who was the
and Ilwaho ran surprisingly long
and the sixth race was won by Sil-
er Pizz, who showed as well as sudden
improvement and beat such cracks as
Frank Woods and Kilty Kelly quite
handily. Position ruled favorite in
a betting, but he could not run at all
and finished last. Silver Pizz was not
gotten in the betting, as she was
checked from the race.

Final race, six furlons—Sterling was formed in Los Angeles some weeks ago and one team from Los Angeles and one team from San Diego and Santa Ana seems destined to never materialize. The San Diego and Santa Ana teams were formed half a year ago and have played two games but to date no sign of the two Los Angeles teams.

third race, five furlons—Misty's
time, 1:50.2; American 1, second;
J. 50, third. Fourth race, five
furlons—Curdwinton, Fort W. yne, Fu-
s, Cupidus, Bummer, Quiet, Scots-
1:50.2; Mimbo, Thath, Clausus,
fourth race, one mile and fifty yards
—Misty, 3:00.2; American 1, second;
J. 50, third. Fifth race, one mile
—Curdwinton, Fort W. yne, Fu-
s, Cupidus, Bummer, Quiet, Scots-
1:50.2; Mimbo, Thath, Clausus,
fourth race, one mile and fifty yards

Suburban 2, won; Arthur Ray 30, 0, and O. C. Johnson 2, 0. The other winners were Poxy Grandp; Larry Cherey, Frank H'a-en, Billy Time, Schwesder, Wlat're, Pres-Time. Time, 1:24.8; after five furlongs—Ada Kwon Diderot 4, second; Chorus won third. The other starters were Mussie, Mollie, Hilly who. Time, 1:24.8.

the race, one mile and a eighth—
time, 5.40; won: Frank Wood, 5 to
4; 2nd, Ed. Jones, 1 to 2; 3rd, Ed.
other starters were Bless O' God,
Turbo, Prince Blazes, Outburst,
and the race was over.

NOTES OF THE TR/CK.
It was expected on account of
the opening of the Assor Par meeting
would be a defection of some of
the players.

Drankers, but to the surprise of the following twenty-seventy-one cocksmakers came in:—
 Young, Golden, Gale, Chick, and Co., Boston Club, Del Mar Club, St. Louis Club, St. Charles, Denver Club, Chick, St. Rose, Esplanade Club, Chicago, Desperant C. Club, Eagle C. Club, San Francisco Club, Frank Bain, Harum,

he did much towards landing the pennant for Los Angeles this year, has decided to remain with Morley for another year and the hearts of the Southern fans are correspondingly glad. Newton was a great favorite with the fans in the South and he is a pitcher that is a tower of strength to any team. He led the Coast League pitchers by a safe margin for the season, winning 80 games.

major league team offers him more money than Morley can pay, Newton will leave and he says Morley will not stand in the way of his financial betterment. He has assured the fans that he is not looking for any offers and thinks he will be found with a Los Angeles uniform when the season opens next spring.

ates is scheduled for a week from Saturday and much interest is being manifested in the meeting in baseball circles as there are many chances of a moment that will be settled on that occasion. Chief among them will be the fate of Sacramento. The town has failed to support the league team and it is more than likely that the franchise will be transferred to either Tacoma

It now seems quite definite that Henry Schmidt, the clever twister, will not return to Brooklyn next spring. Hanlon wants him the worst way but the little pitcher likes California and will probably play in the Coast League. He has not been signed yet but if anybody gets him, it is most likely to be Cal. Paine.

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As the wife of M. T. Kennard, a mighty hunter, whom she has just married in London, the Countess Strafford. It is said, will not be so welcome in court circles as hitherto. She is considering the propriety of retaining her title by courtesy in order to hedge the question. She was once Mrs. Sar Colgate of New York.

AYOR AND PRIZE FIGHTERS

<p>EXECUTIVE WILL NOT BE A PART TY TO GRANTING PERMITS.</p>	<p>EAST OAKLAND TENNIS CLUB WILL MEET ON COURTS SUNDAY.</p>
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The following article in the Call is to state the exact situation regarding fights in this city. We shall not vote to grant any more permits to conduct boxing contests.

Mayor Warren Olney today, there are entirely too many of these fights going on in Oakland. One of

The East Oakland Tennis Club will hold a handicap tennis tournament on Sunday. This will be the second decade tournament having been won by H. A. Plafie and J. M. Hotchkins. There are two handsome prizes for permanent membership and a large entry is expected. The club

Major said he had no information as to whether the supply creating need for the bridge in this city, that is a very undesirable situation.

Major then expressed himself as being the strongly current rumors saying the fact that soon after the bridge was destroyed, the rumors were repeated. While Major who has no received no information as to whether the rumors are true or not.

Major then said that the rumors about the fighting game came the second night, a rumor which has status as a rumor in establishing its fact although it is a confirmed rumor.

the recently charged with the duty of determining whether or not the doubt that pressure is being brought to bear in the city Hall to influence the outcome of the election. The influence is being exerted, not definitely upon the voters, but upon Mayor's secretary said.

It is reported that the city clerk has been asked to make a list of the names of the voters who have been registered in the city since the last general election. The city clerk has been asked to make a list of the names of the voters who have been registered in the city since the last general election. The city clerk has been asked to make a list of the names of the voters who have been registered in the city since the last general election.

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Before the last permit was granted to the "Polski" representatives appeared before the Polish consular officials and declared that it was a bona fide religious festival. The Polish consul, Bishop was acting as the club's manager and the club's secretary, Stanislaw, of the last night, was the manager and chief singer.

When Olszew's opposition to the continuance of the contests is based entirely on his unwillingness to allow such frequent affairs in the three clubs, the

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